



2005 SBA SMALL BUSINESS AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Philadelphia District Office

Help us to recognize outstanding leaders in the small business community. Designate your nomination below:

This award is presented to an individual who owns and operates a small business. Partners who jointly own and operate a business may be nominated as a "team" of no more than four.

Small Business Person*: The most prestigious of all SBA awards. This award will be presented to an entrepreneur for developing an outstanding growing business, for innovative product(s), increasing jobs, increasing sales, overcoming adversity, and community contributions. (*Financial criteria required)

Awards to Small Business Champions: These nine awards are presented to individuals or organizations dedicated to supporting small businesses.

Financial Services Champion of the Year: Individuals who assist small businesses through advocacy efforts to increase the usefulness and availability of accounting or financial services. Nominees may or may not be small business owners.

Home-Based Business Champion of the Year*: Individuals who experienced the rewards and difficulties of home-based businesses and have volunteered to improve the climate for these businesses. Nominees may or may not be small business owners. (*Financial criteria required)

Minority Small Business Champion of the Year: Individuals who have fulfilled a commitment to support minority entrepreneurship. Nominees may or may not be small business owners.

Small Business Exporter of the Year*: Awarded to a small business owner who has significantly increased export sales and profits, encouraged other firms to export, increased jobs through exporting, and developed creative methods of marketing overseas. (*Financial criteria required)

SBA Young Entrepreneur of the Year*: Candidate must not have reached the age of 30 by June 1, 2005 to be eligible. Evidence of three (3) years success in sales, profits, increased jobs, innovative products, and demonstrated entrepreneurial potential. (*Financial criteria required)

Small Business Journalist of the Year: Publicizing small business issues or promoting small business programs or success stories. Journalist representing television, radio, electronic, or print media may be nominated.

Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year: Individuals who have fulfilled a commitment to advancing small business opportunities for veterans of the U.S. armed forces. Nominees may or may not be veterans.

Women in Business Champion of the Year: Individuals who have fulfilled a commitment to the advancement of women's business ownership may be nominated. Nominees may or may not be small business owners.

Family Owned Small Business of the Year*: Family owned and operated business which has been passed from one generation to another. Nominees must also serve as a majority owner and operator or bear principal responsibility for operating a small business with at least a 15 year track record. (*Financial criteria required)

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Nominee _____ Title _____
Company/Organization _____
Address _____
City/State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Nominee's Qualifications for Award ** (See Below)

NOMINATOR'S INFORMATION

Nominator Name _____ Title _____
Organization _____
Address _____
City/State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____

****Please attach a nomination letter. For further consideration, a nomination binder with detailed materials will be required. SBA will contact the nominator with details. Must be received by December 3, 2004. Mail to: Small Business Awards Committee, Small Business Administration, 900 Market Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Feel free to copy this form for additional nominations. Self nominations accepted. For more information, please call (215)580-2714 or email patricia.younce@sba.gov. Thank you for your support!**